

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 792

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Linda Townsend for placing first in the 2023 American Heritage Fiber Arts Contest.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those accomplished Tennesseans who have devoted their lives to their creative endeavors, thereby enriching the lives of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Linda Townsend of Greene County, a fiber artist whose work recently gained national recognition, as she placed first in the 2023 American Heritage Fiber Arts Contest sponsored by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR); and

WHEREAS, herself a member of the Nolachuckey Chapter of the NSDAR, Ms. Townsend has been invited to the NSDAR Continental Congress in Washington, D.C., in June to accept her award; and

WHEREAS, Linda Townsend's award-winning fiber art creation focuses on the Overmountain Victory Trail, which traces the route used by patriot militia, called the Overmountain Men, during the pivotal Kings Mountain campaign of 1780; and

WHEREAS, her entry was an original design, done in cross-stitch, which highlighted the trail as well as the history of the Battle of King's Mountain; prior to claiming victory at the national level, the work placed first at the Tennessee State Fiber Arts Competition held by the National American Heritage Committee—the second consecutive year that Ms. Townsend's fiber artwork won the state competition; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Townsend has wholly devoted herself to her art, thus bringing great pride and acclaim to her home state of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Linda Townsend on her first-place  
finish in the 2023 American Heritage Fiber Arts Contest, extending our best wishes for her  
continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared  
for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to  
the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear  
without House or Senate designation.